Cost of District Court at Mavelikara.

458. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the estimated recurring cost of opening a District Court at Mavelikara; and

(*b*) the saving that could be effected in the recurring expenditure of the Quilon, Alleppey and Kottayam District Courts on the opening of a District Court at Mavelikara?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Rs. 25,000 and odd.

(*b*) The saving cannot be ascertained now.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Law's Delays Commissioner has not stated in his report that the work in the District Courts at Alleppey, Quilon and Kottayam could be reduced if a District Court is established at Mavelikara?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The report of the Law's Delays Commissioner has not been taken up for consideration by Government.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether Government do not think that the work in the District Courts at Kottayam, Quilon and Alleppey would be reduced if a District Court is established at Mavelikara?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is the ordinary presumption.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Is it not based on facts? Is it merely a presumption?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is a presumption based on facts.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Has the extent to which the work in the District Courts at Kottayam, Alleppey and Quilon would be reduced by the establishment of a District Court at Mavelikara been enquired?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, not yet.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Have not the Government looked into the report of the Law's Delays Commissioner?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The report has been referred to the High Court. It will be gone into by Government in detail only on receipt of the opinion of the High Court on the different recommendations of the Law's Delays Commissioner.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): With reference to the answer to part (*a*), may I know whether it is the High Court that have stated that the annual recurring cost on account of a District Court at Mavelikara would be Rs. 25,000 odd?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Have they not enquired into the question of the saving that could be effected, in the recurring expenditure on account of the Quilon, Alleppey and Kottayam District Courts, with the opening of a District Court at Mavelikara ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : They say that they are not now in a position to say that.

Application for financial help for higher studies in America by a lady student.

459. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any woman candidate has applied for financial help to prosecute her studies in the Michigan University in America after the 1st Chingam 1106 ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the name and address of the applicant ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the applicant had pointed out in her application that she is likely to get a scholarship from that University, that that amount would not be sufficient for her expenses there and that, therefore, in case she gets that scholarship, Government should render financial help to her ; and

(*d*) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Srimati N. Gomatikutti Amma, C/o S. S. Nayar, Kallumadam, Chengannur.

(*c*) She had stated that the Michigan University had promised to give her a scholarship of 800 dollars per annum for a period of four years to undergo higher studies in Science in that University and that according to the calculations of the University authorities, this sum is sufficient only for 8 months' stay in a year.

(*d*) On enquiry into the alleged promise of a scholarship by the Michigan University, it was found that only a prospectus and a form of application for a scholarship had been received by her at her request, and that no promise had been made at all. Further, a scrutiny of her marks in the Intermediate classes showed that she was in no way up to this scholarship standard. She was therefore informed that her prayer could not be granted

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): It is stated, in answer to part (*d*):

"On enquiry into the promise of a scholarship by the Michigan University it was found that only a prospectus and a form of application for a scholarship had been received by her....."

May I know whether the Government corresponded with the University about the matter ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No.

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